

Amendment No. 1 to HB2334

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 3176**

**House Bill No. 2334\***

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Because the law creating the judicial district task force is over twenty-four years old and it has not been carefully evaluated since then, there is created a joint study committee composed of four (4) members of the House or Representatives and four (4) members of the Senate, to be appointed by the respective speakers, to conduct a study of the of judicial district task forces created by § 8-7-110.

SECTION 2. The study committee shall examine all aspects of the judicial district drug task force law including, but not limited to,:

- (a) The reason the judicial district task force was created;
- (b) The mission of the task force ;
- (c) The requirements to be a task force employee;
- (d) The screening and interview process for applicants;
- (e) The duties and powers of task force members;
- (f) The standards and criteria for conducting task force business;
- (g) The procedures and protocols in place to ensure the integrity of task force operations;
- (h) The accounting and audit procedures in place to ensure the integrity and chain of custody of confiscated property;
- (i) How confiscated property is used or disposed of;
- (j) Whether the task forces are accomplishing and adhering to the original mission; and
- (k) Any safeguards, procedures or modifications that need to be enacted to ensure the task forces are operating as originally intended.

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SECTION 3. The joint study committee shall report its findings, which may be in the form of legislation, to the respective judiciary committees by February 1, 2013, and shall then cease to exist.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.